

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-31 are currently pending in this application. No claims have been added, amended, or canceled in this response.

ELECTION OF SPECIES

The Examiner has required the election of a single species for prosecution. The Office Action states that “claim 1 is generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising the compounds of the working examples.” (Office Action at 2). Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, the Examiner has requested that Applicants select a single disclosed species.

It is Applicants’ understanding that this election is being made to aid the Examiner in conducting a search and examination of the claimed subject matter, and is not to be construed as limiting the scope of Applicants’ claims. It is also Applicants’ understanding that if the elected subject matter is found to be allowable over the prior art, the search and examination will be expanded to cover other species, until it includes the full scope of the generic claims.

Applicants hereby elect the species of Example 208.

The following claims read on the elected species: Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 8-10, 16, 17, 21, 22, and 25-31.

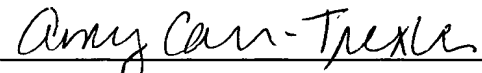
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CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the foregoing constitutes a complete and full response to the Office Action of record. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

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